## Donna Aves-

Funeral services for Donna Aves, 82, Groton were held Tuesday, March 24 at the First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Richard Geiger officiating. Burial was in Groton Union Cemetery. She died March 21, 1987 at Colonial Manor, Groton.

Donna was born May 21, 1904 to Iver and Mary (Worthy) Gibbs at Huffton, S.D. She graduated from Groton High School and attended Northern Normal, Aberdeen. She married Kenneth Aves on August 5, 1928 at Webster. After their marriage they lived in Groton area, from 1936 to 1943 they lived in California, from 1943 to 1951 they farmed near Aberdeen. They owned and operated Red & White Grocery store in Britton from 1951 to 1957. They moved to Groton in 1957 owned and operated Aves Meat and Locker Plant. She also worked as a salesperson for Miller's Store and Paetznick-Garness Furniture Store.

She was a member of the Merifu Club, served as a Deacon and an Elder of the First Presbyterian Church. She also was a member of United Presbyterian Women and Diana Chapter Order of the Eastern Star at Groton.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Charles (Romona) Pitkin of Britton; Mrs. Harvey (Joanne) Thayer of Britton; one brother, Bert Gibbs, Claremont; one sister, Mrs. Marion Wentz, Roseberg, Ore.; 11 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, two step grandchildren, 12 step great grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents, her husband, one brother and two sisters.

Casketbearers were her grandsons. Organist was Mrs. Ben Anderson with soloist Lee Schinkel. Ushers were Otho Rix and Jerroll Erdmann.